

HB 1172 -- PUBLIC SAFETY

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Currently, law enforcement agencies that violate certain requirements for the submission of crime incident reports and information may be ineligible to receive state or federal funds that would otherwise be paid to them. This bill removes such ineligibility as a potential consequence for such violations.

Law enforcement agencies involved in federal forfeiture programs are required to report certain information to the Department of Public Safety and the State Auditor by January 31 of each year. This bill removes the requirement to report the information to the department and moves the reporting deadline from January 31 to February 15.

The bill also repeals language relating to information that must be included in the report, and requiring that the report consist of a copy of a certain form, which must be submitted to the federal government.

The bill also requires the approval of the director of the department for the expenditure of funds raised by the collection of fees for the usage of criminal history record information, and it specifies that a portion of those funds, to be determined by the director, will be made available to local and county law enforcement agencies by way of a grant.

This bill is the same as SB 414 (2017).